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### AMENDMENT

Please amend the application be amended without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents. Attached is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

#### In the Claims

1. (Twice Amended) An isolated antibacterial protein obtainable from *Streptococcus salivarius* strain K12 on deposit at Deutsche Sammlung von Mikroorganismen Und Zellkulturen GmbH, Braunschweig, Germany, accession number DSM 13084, having the following properties:
  - a) a molecular mass of approximately 2733 Da, as determined by ion-spray mass spectrometry, and an N-terminal amino acid sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 1, or
  - b) an antibacterial variant of the antibacterial protein, which variant has greater than 80% amino acid sequence identity with said protein.
2. (Twice Amended) An isolated antibacterial protein having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3 or an antibacterial variant of the antibacterial protein, which variant has greater than 80% amino acid sequence identity with said protein.